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SUBJECT: EC-IRAN PREFERENTIAL AGREEMENT

REF: (A) STATE 254498; (B) COPENHAGEN 0020

1. PER REF A, WE APPROACHED AMBASSADOR WANDEL-PTERSEN,
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AFFAIRS.

2. WANDEL-PETERSEN SATED THAT THE DANISH POSITION CONTINUES TO BE THAT OUTLINED IN REF B; I.E., THAT DENMARK IN ORDER TO REAP CERTAIN ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL BENEFITS IN IRAN FOR ITSELF, WANTS TO SEE THE EC ESTABLISH SOME KIND OF PREFERENTIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH THAT COUNTRY.

3. AFTER WE HAD GONE OVER THE POINTS IN REFTEL A AGAINST A SPECIAL EC-IRAN ARRANGEMENT, WANDEL-PETERSEN SAID THAT HE CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD THEM AND THEIR LOGIC BUT THAT HE COULD DO NOTHING MORE THAN TAKE NOTE OF THEM. HE DID SAY THAT OUR INTERVENTION WAS TIMELY INASMUCH AS THE SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT IS STILL IN THE TALKING STAGE.

4. WE NOTED THAT THE DANISH POSITION ON IRAN HAD BEEN FORMULATED UNDER THE PRECEDING GOVERNMENT AND ASKED IF THE NEW REGIME HAD ANY DIFFERENT IDEAS. WANDEL-PETERSEN REPLIED THAT THE PRESENT GOVERNMENT HAS THE SAME INTEREST AS THE PREVIOUS ONE AND THAT HE SAW NO LIKELIHOOD THAT THE POSITION WOULD CHANGE.
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